
BOOKS RECEIVED.

Two volumes have recently come to hand from the pen of W. S. Blatchley, State Geologist of Indiana.

"Gleanings from Nature" is published by the Nature Publishing Company of Indianapolis and is dedicated to the 800,000 boys and girls of the state of Indiana. The author writes in a popular way from personal observations on birds, snakes, fishes, flowers, insects, weeds, swamps and caves and treats them in an interesting and instructive manner, giving the information the youth especially is always desirous of knowing. Since we have read the book and compared the plants and animals mentioned with the flora and fauna of Ohio we find that almost without exception the forms treated are common to the two states, therefore, although it is written with special reference to the natural history of Indiana, it is almost as valuable for Ohio and doubtless for a number of other states.

"The Orthoptera of Indiana" is a reprint from the 27th Annual Report of the Department of Geology and Natural Resources of the state of Indiana.

The glossary and chapter on anatomy are features which add greatly to its usefulness as by this means the characters used in the keys and descriptions are made plain. One hundred and forty-eight species are given as occurring in Indiana, with full descriptions, and keys for determining each species. We find this work very appropriate for determining our Ohio Orthoptera and already we have recognized nearly a hundred of the forms given in it for Indiana. Students of the group cannot afford to be without a copy and students in general Entomology will find it valuable.

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